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Governor Ernie Fletcher Appoints Veteran PVA Executive Director of Property Valuation

FRANKFORT, Ky.—Governor Ernie Fletcher has named Marsha McQueary executive director of the Department of Revenue's Office of Property Valuation. McQueary's appointment is effective July 1, 2005. She replaces Marian Davis, who was appointed deputy commissioner of Revenue in May.

McQueary has been the Garrard County Property Valuation Administrator since November 1996. Prior to her election in 1996, McQueary served as Deputy Garrard County PVA for 18 years. She will be leaving her post June 30, 2005.

The Office of Property Valuation consists of the divisions of local valuation, state valuation and technical support. McQueary will oversee the local property tax assessment and collection process for real property and the state's central assessment and collection programs for public service properties, coal properties and motor vehicles.

Andy Coyle, a field representative for the Office of Property Valuation, will serve as interim PVA until the test may be administered and an appointment may be made. When a PVA resigns, an interim is appointed until the Governor names a replacement. This is the only instance where an individual may serve as a PVA without first passing the required PVA exam.

The PVA exam consists of 100 questions that test vocabulary, reading comprehension and mathematics. The date and time that candidates may take the PVA exam has not yet been determined. Once the test is administered, results of the examination will be posted on Revenue's Web site and a list of qualified candidates will be sent to the Governor's Office. An appointee will be selected from this list to serve until the 2006 general election.

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